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Dear Examiner Ludlow:

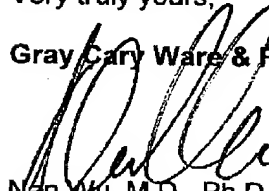
I understand from our conversation today (January 6, 2004) that all the pending claims under examination in the U.S. Application No. 09/834,300 have been allowed. Based on this information, we will not file a Notice of Appeal for the subject application by the final deadline of January 15, 2004.

Please let me know if my understanding of the situation is not correct.

Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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